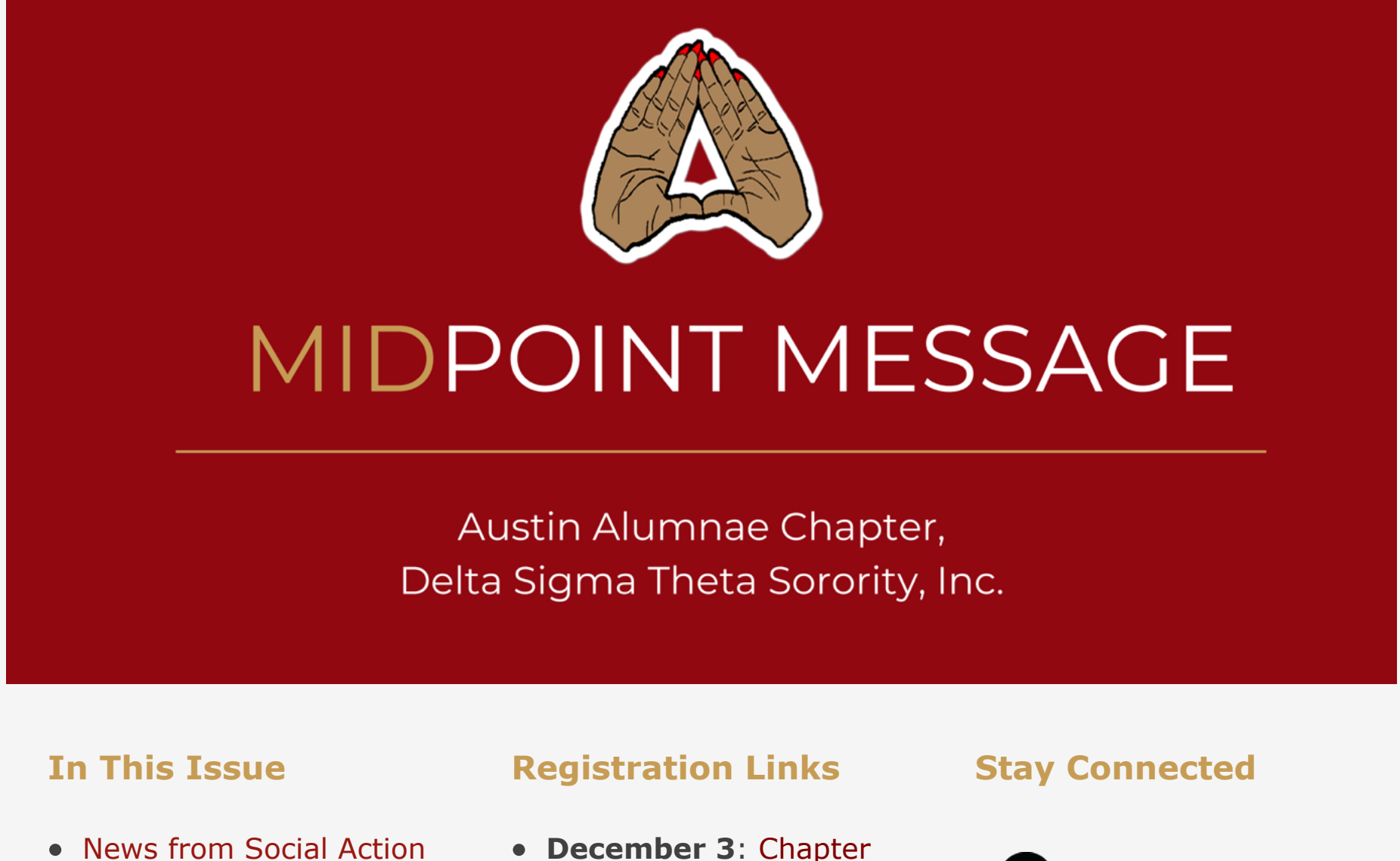


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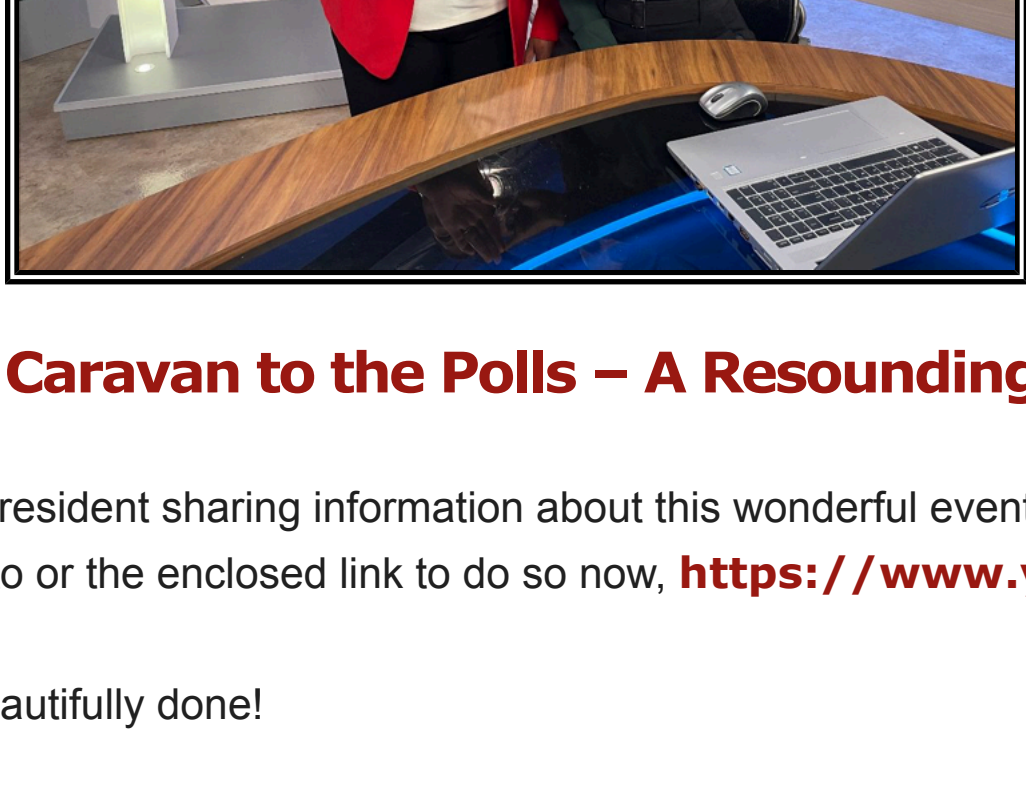
- **December 3:** Chapter Meeting at 10AM (**In person**, Bertha Sadler Means Young Women's Leadership Academy, 6401 N. Hampton Dr., Austin, TX 78723)
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Stay Connected

- AAC Facebook
- AAC Instagram
- AAC Twitter
- AAC Website
- Prayer Requests & Bereavement Notices

Greetings, sorors!
Thank you for your positive feedback,
regarding our newly formatted MIDpoint Message!
Please continue to enjoy and Happy Thanksgiving!

News from Social Action



October's Caravan to the Polls – A Resounding Success!

Sorors, did you catch our Soror President sharing information about this wonderful event on Spectrum News? If not, please click either the above photo or the enclosed link to do so now, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4MKMXlQYvuA>.

Beautifully done Social Action, beautifully done!

**Call for Nominations!
AAC, Who Has Next?**

The Call for Nominations opened on October 1, 2022. The Nominating Committee invites you to step up and step out. Select an office or position where you want to serve. **You can be nominated by an active member or you may self-nominate** by completing this form, **2023-2025 Chapter Officer Nominations**. Nominations close **Saturday, December 31, 2022 at 11:59PM CT**.

Refer to the *Call for Nominations* email sent on 10/11 for the full list of positions and current Austin Alumnae Chapter Policies and Procedures for complete eligibility requirements for each elected office and position.

Please email nominating.aacdsgt@gmail.com with any questions you might have.

Membership Services - White Christmas Outreach & Jingle Mingle



White Christmas Outreach

Sorors, it's time to spread some holiday cheer!!!

On Saturday, December 17, 2022, the Austin Alumnae carolers will be spreading some cheer to our sick and shut-in sorors with holiday songs and a special gift. If you know a soror that would welcome a visit from our carolers, please complete the enclosed form by Wednesday, November 30, **White Christmas Visitation form**.

Sorors, if you have questions about the outreach, please contact Soror TanyaRippenkreoger (tanya.rippenkreoger@hotmail.com) and Soror Melody Southall (melynn95@hotmail.com).

Please stay tuned for more information if you want to volunteer for this event.

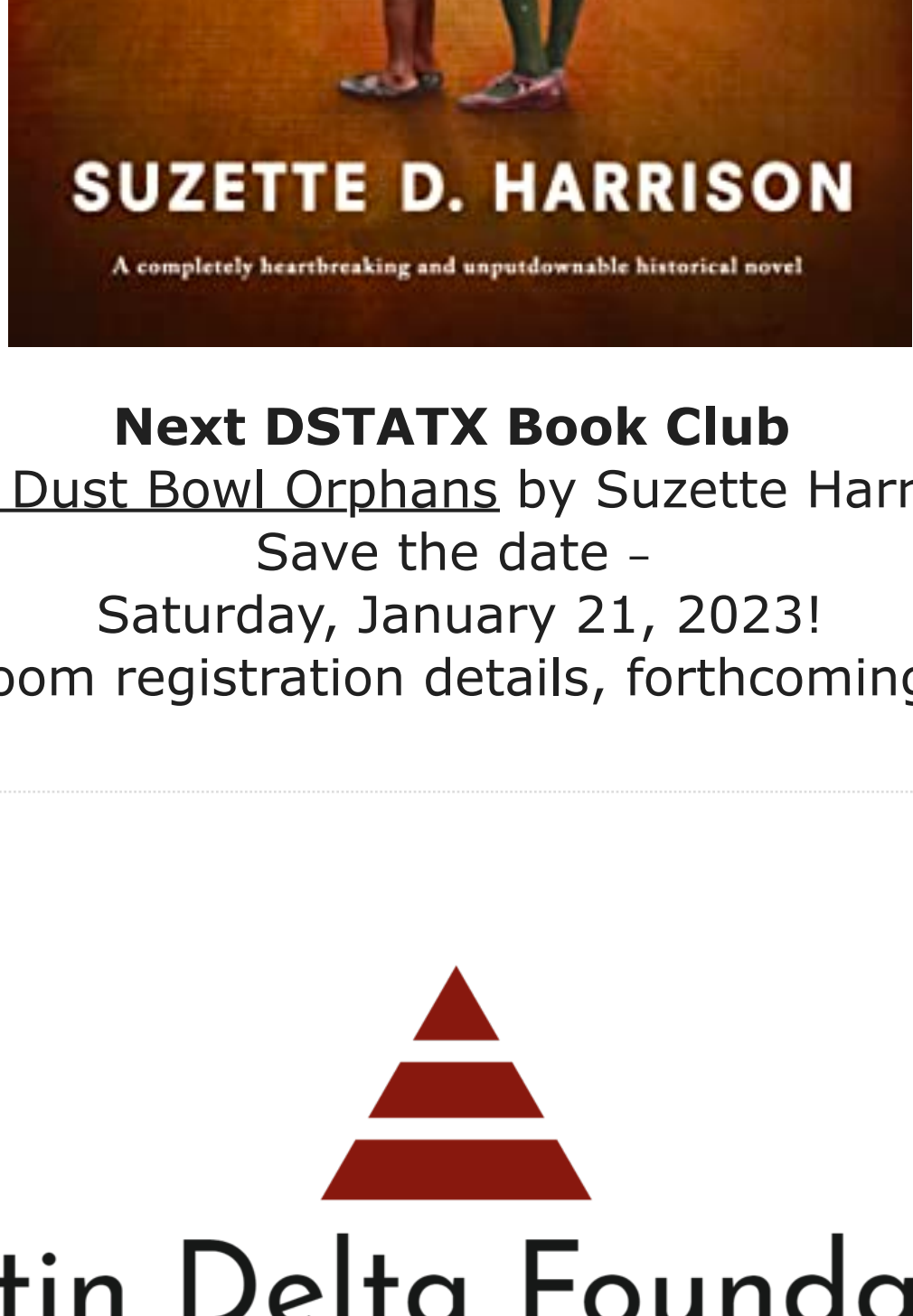
Jingle and Mingle

Jingle and Mingle: The Jingle and Mingle holiday party will take place immediately after the December chapter meeting. We will have some nice holiday treats prepared for sorors. Please come out and remember to bring a soror. In partnership with Economic Development, please bring your cash, checks and credit cards and be prepared to patronize our dear sorors who are small business owners.

International Awareness and Involvement Presents...

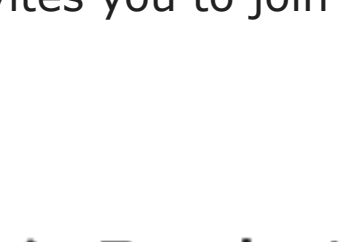


Arts and Letters Presents...



Next DSTATX Book Club
The Dust Bowl Orphans by Suzette Harrison

Save the date -
Saturday, January 21, 2023!
Zoom registration details, forthcoming.



Austin Delta Foundation
Promoting educational, economic and community development

The holiday season is upon us! As you gather with family, put up your favorite decorations, and finish your holiday shopping, Austin Delta Foundation invites you to join us in 2 easy ways to support the foundation this season:



GIVING TUESDAY

November 29th

#GivingTuesday is a global day of generosity that takes place on **Tuesday November 29, 2022**

1. Follow ADF on Social Media to make an online donation.
2. Donate through the ADF website at <https://www.austindeltafoundation.org/>
3. Check with your employer to understand how to make a donations so that it can be matched!

Make your shopping dollars count this holiday by placing orders at smile.amazon.com in support of Austin Delta Foundation



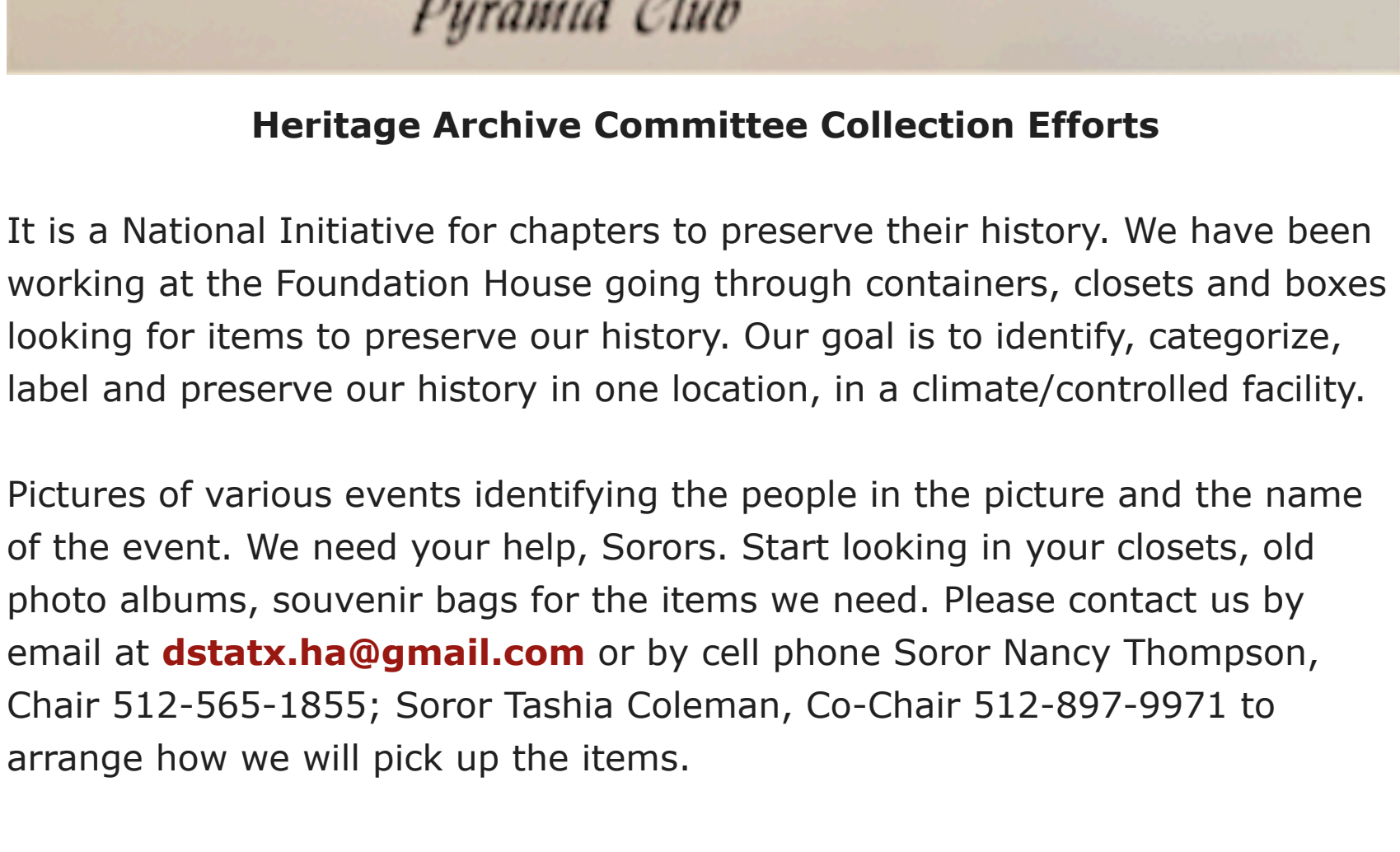
AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support ADF every time you shop on Amazon at no cost to you.
Login to your Amazon account at smile.amazon.com
When you shop, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection, and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to Austin Delta Foundation.

On your first visit to smile.amazon.com or AmazonSmile on the Amazon Shopping app, you will be prompted to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Search for Austin Delta Foundation. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make on AmazonSmile will result in a donation.



[Tap Here to Donate to ADF - Giving Tuesday](#)
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Historian and Heritage Archive Committee

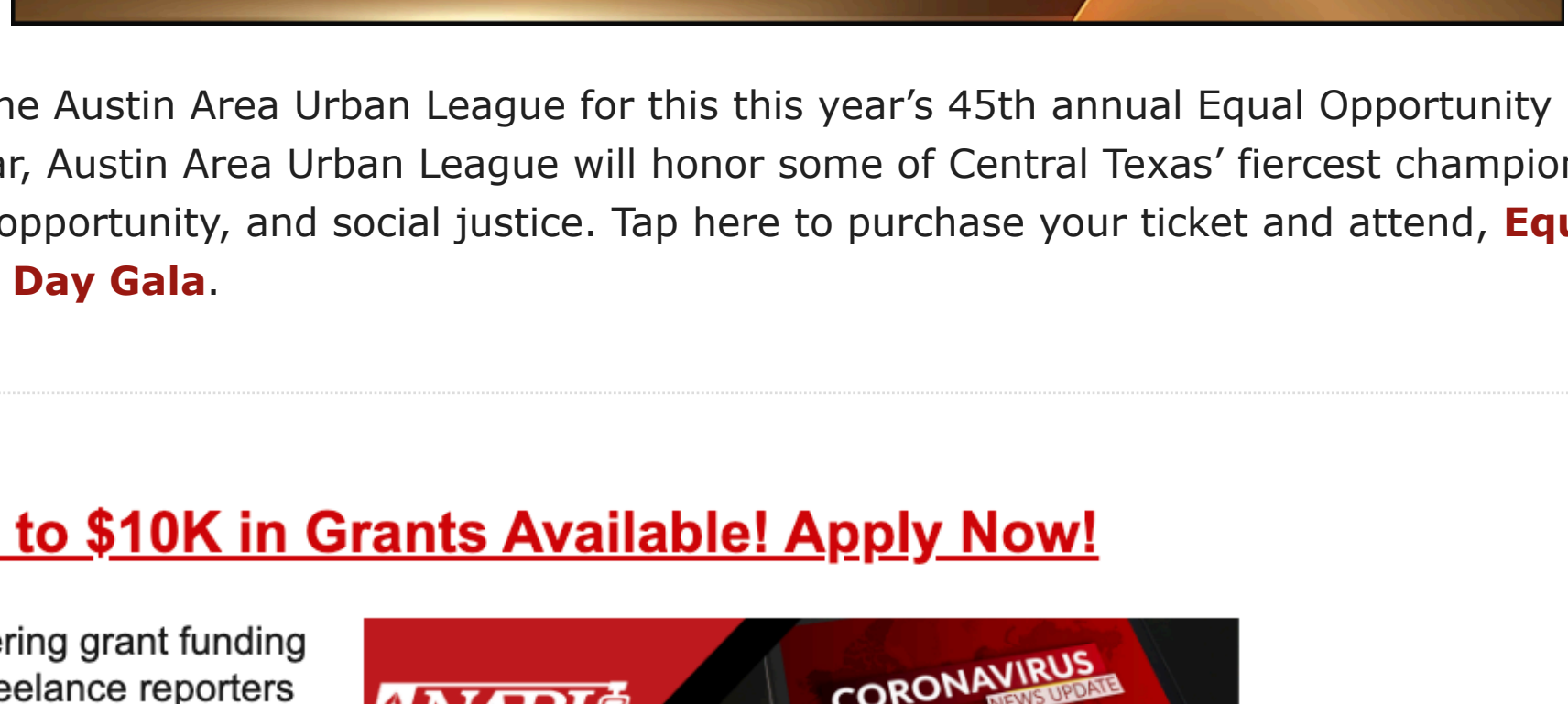


Heritage Archive Committee Collection Efforts

It is a National Initiative for chapters to preserve their history. We have been working at the Foundation House going through containers, closets and boxes looking for items to preserve our history. Our goal is to identify, categorize, label and preserve our history in one location, in a climate/controlled facility.

Pictures of various events identifying the people in the picture and the name of the event. We need your help, Sorors. Start looking in your closets, old photo albums, souvenir bags for the items we need. Please contact us by email at dstatx.ha@gmail.com or by cell phone Soror Nancy Thompson, Chair 512-565-1855; Soror Tashia Coleman, Co-Chair 512-897-9971 to arrange how we will pick up the items.

Local and Community News



Sorors, join the Austin Area Urban League for this this year's 45th annual Equal Opportunity Day black-tie gala. This year, Austin Area Urban League will honor some of Central Texas' fiercest champions of civil rights, equal opportunity, and social justice. Tap here to purchase your ticket and attend, **Equal Opportunity Day Gala**.

Up to \$10K in Grants Available! Apply Now!

NABJ is offering grant funding to support freelance reporters and producers at Black-owned print, broadcast, and digital outlets through the "Black Press Grant Program."

The program is supported by a grant from the [Chan Zuckerberg Initiative \(CZI\)](#).

The grants aim to help ensure Black-owned media outlets are resourced with original and innovative coverage of the **COVID-19 pandemic and its intersections within the nation's K-12 education system**.

Journalists and those within Black-owned media are invited to submit original proposals for investigative, feature, and enterprise for a single or series of original stories published/broadcasted in Black-owned media.

Fast grants to freelancers and Black-owned media will be up to \$10,000. NABJ will also distribute content produced from the grant through [BlackNewsandViews.com](https://blacknewsandviews.com), its newly launched news platform.

Eligibility
The grant is open to journalists working at a Black-owned media organization within the United States or serving as a freelance journalist to a U.S. Black-owned news organization. NABJ membership is not required for funding support, but is helpful.

APPLY NOW!

[Click here to apply.](#)

Prayer Corner

Sorors, please continue to lift the following sorors and their families up in fervent prayer:

- Soror Robin Blackmon for the loss of her Aunt Soror Gaynell Thomas Johnson. The family is asking for special prayer for Soror Regina Valentine as she buried her only brother in January 2022 and is now having to bury her mother;
 - Soror June Murphy and her Husband who has been hospitalized and is at home now, recovering;
 - Soror Del Watson will be having a cardiac surgery on November 30, and will be out for 4-6 weeks. Please keep her in prayer;
 - Soror Inette Brown and family for the loss of her Sister (Nancy Sue Hutchings Sims);
 - Soror Tanisa Jeffers' Mother for complete healing and recovery from her double bypass open heart surgery;
 - Soror Sandra Williams Willis for health and healing;
 - Soror Florence Smythe Macauley as her Son recovers from surgery;
 - Soror Kerri Lang for health and healing; and
 - Soror Sandra "FeFe" McCrary-Marshall for health and healing.
- To submit your prayer requests and bereavement notices [click here](#).

December Chapter Meeting

Sorors, please don't forget our next Chapter Meeting will occur in person at 10AM at the Bertha Sadler Means Young Women's Leadership Academy, 6401 N. Hampton Dr., Austin, TX 78723.

Upcoming Odyssey Submission Deadlines

- December Odyssey - Submit all content by Tuesday, November 22
- December MIDpoint Message - Submit all content by Tuesday, December 8
- January Odyssey - Submit all content by Tuesday, December 27

Please note, due to swift publication constraints, content not received by the stated deadline may appear in a subsequent edition of the desired Odyssey or MIDpoint Message publication. Questions? Please email Soror Autumn Caviness, dstatx.journalist@gmail.com.

The Communication and Public Relations is in need of sorors, particularly sorors with technical skills to help with The Odyssey and MIDpoint Messages. Sorors, if you have that experience and are willing to learn - please reach out to Soror Caviness, we need you now!